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eral Wood has, in view of the probability that mosquitoes are concerned in the spread of yellow fever, issued orders for the use of mosquito netting in barracks and hospitals and on the field where possible, for the use of petroleum on temporary pools and for filling up permanent pools.

THE *British Medical Journal* reports that Professor Celli, who is a member of the Italian Parliament, will introduce drastic measures for the suppression of malaria in Italy. He would make punishable by law the neglect of land-owners and all employers of labor to provide in malarial districts every means of fighting the fever. Bosselli and Sonnino have proposed that the Minister of Finance purchase pure quinine and sell it to the public at a slight advance over cost. The profit could be applied to the extermination of malaria.

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

AN influential meeting was held at San Francisco, on December 22d, to advocate the passage of an inheritance tax law in aid of the State University.

THE late Chief Justice Faircloth, of North Carolina, bequeathed \$20,000 to the Baptist Female University of Raleigh.

WE regret to learn that the will of the late George V. Clayton, giving about two and a-half million dollars to the city of Denver for the establishment of a college for poor boys, is being contested by a brother.

THE great Hydraulic Laboratory of Cornell University is nearing completion and will be ready for work early in the spring. In its incomplete condition it has been used for experiments in connection with U. S. Deep Water Ways Commission, also in experiments for the New York State Canals. Investigations have also been made in reference to the water supplies of the City of New York and for the Lake Superior Power Company. Corporations and individuals wishing to make investigations for the benefit of Hydraulic Science or Public Improvements are invited to communicate with the Director of the College of Civil Engineering of Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.

GROUND has been broken for the new Hall of Mechanical Engineering, for Syracuse University, and work is being pushed forward in order that it may be in readiness for occupancy by the spring of the next college year. The building will be of stone, four stories above the basement, 133 feet in length, by 60 feet in depth. Its equipment will be thoroughly modern in every detail.

THE report telegraphed from California to the daily papers that President Benjamin Ide Wheeler would this year succeed President Eliot, of Harvard University, is entirely without foundation.

CHANCELLOR WILLIAM H. PAYNE, PH.D., LL.D., of the University of Nashville, Tenn., has been elected to the professorship of the science and the art of teaching in the University of Michigan, vacant by the death of Dr. B. A. Hinsdale. Dr. Payne was Dr. Hinsdale's predecessor in this chair.

H. WADE HIBBARD, A.B., A.M., M.E, formerly connected with the Rhode Island Locomotive Works, Pennsylvania and Lehigh Valley Railroads, has been elected Professor of Mechanical Engineering of Railways, having for the past two years been assistant professor and Principal of the Railway School of Sibley College, Cornell University. This railway course is the latest addition to the several specialized finishing schools which are available for the 670 students in mechanical engineering now registered at Cornell.

DR. ARTHUR ROBINSON, lecturer on anatomy in the Middlesex Hospital Medical School, has been appointed professor of anatomy in King's College, London, in the vacancy caused by the death of Professor Hughes.

DR. FREDERICK GOLTZ, who has occupied the chair of physiology of the University of Strasbourg for twenty-nine years, has retired.

AT Trinity College, Cambridge, the Coutts-Trotter studentship for the promotion of original research in natural science, especially for physiology and experimental Physics, has been divided between Charles Francis Mott, B.A., and Owen Williams Richardson, B.A., both scholars of the college. The tenure is until September 29, 1902.